

The Pocahontas Times.

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ALAS for him who never sees
The stars shine thro his cypress
trees;
Who, hopeless, lays his dead away.
Nor looks to see the breaking day
Across the mournful marbles play;
Who has not learned in hours of
faith
That truth to flesh and sense un-
known,
That life is ever lord of death,
And love can never lose its own.
—Selected.

This county has a school with an average attendance of 95 per cent. and for the past month twenty-three scholars of the school never missed a day.

THE cases of McLaughlin vs. McGraw and Turk vs. Skiles from this county have been submitted to the Supreme Court and decisions are expected during this term.

THE man who proposed for debate in the Academy of Science last Friday the question, "Resolved, that the signs of the times indicate pessimistic tendencies," must be a psychological phenomenon.

THE polecat reporter of the Ronceverte News writes up the particulars of the establishing of a polecat farm near Union, the object of which will be to breed a coal black specimen for his hide and tallow. The writer is a well-known authority on polecats.

A MEMORIAL addressed to the potwollers of Pocahontas County would simply mean to the voters of Pocahontas County. In certain boroughs of England only those who wallowed a pot, (i. e.) boiled a pot, were entitled to vote. The man who "kept the pot boiling" was and is now the head of a household.

A BILL has been introduced in Congress to print the pension list in pamphlets by States, and deliver one to each newspaper in the State. It is estimated that the pamphlet for Ohio alone will contain over three thousand pages, and it may be seen this will incur a vast printing bill. It may pay the government to do it, however.

THE New York Journal stand concerning Mr William J. Bryan was taken some weeks subsequently to a similar expression of opinion given in the Pocahontas Times. We both saw that narrowness that should never be in a man who gave his name to the party. Some of his best friends think that the party can choose a much more suitable man for President in 1900.

ALEX McVEIGH MILLER's constant use of the term "flat" in relation to money calls up an incident of a Pocahontas politician of about the same calibre as Mr Miller who during the last campaign was a great advocate for "flat money." It turned out afterwards that he was referring to "flat money"; but no one has ever been able to discover what Mr Miller is driving at.

THE President of the University of West Virginia has sent out a begging letter for three thousand dollars to buy a pipe organ for the University chapel. It is harrowing to think of the distress the college is in on account of the great dearth of thousands of dollars and pipe organs. The poor, ragged alumnus who receives the petition immediately takes the dollar bill he has secured by hard work, and which he has been saving to buy bread for his family, and sends it to the faculty in order that the young heathen who attend the University may have music to soothe away their savageness. Does the president need anything else in his chapel which the public would gladly supply. A gramophone would also help in the charming of the tough under graduate. He says Professor Ellen Berger of the faculty, "can bring out all the music a pipe organ has in it," in the elegant language of a native of Chicago. When Ellen was absent then the President could bring out all the music a gramophone has in it, and the boys might like the change. The President is welcome to ask a public in straightened circumstances. The for as many thousand dollars as he can dispose of in fitting up his hundreds of feet high and not respectable chapel, but if he wants it very badly, it will be tiresome waiting for the thousands to accumulate.

WHERE THE RAILROAD SHOULD RUN.

In view of the railroad possibilities of this region, our attention was called to the fact by a level-headed man that it is more than likely that the men who are building the Greenbrier Railroad do not know enough of the topography of the country to know where the road should run, taking into consideration the cost of construction, the distance from the Chesapeake and Ohio to the Forks of Greenbrier River, and the value of the road as an occupier of the territory after it is built. It has been an oft expressed wonder with every one in the county that the railroad having the object in view of developing the Greenbrier basin should be built anywhere except on the banks of that stream.

It may be possible that the active work of a few men who own some barren acres on the ridges of the Alleg any who are not too diffident to approach the promoters of the railroad, have done more to influence them than the people of the populous districts lying on the west bank of the river who have not had the assurance to make themselves solid with the engineering corps and their employers.

We feel certain if Mr Ingalls knew the lay of the land that there would be no question as to worth of the Greenbrier River route. With the road branching off at the railroad bridge above Ronceverte the whole route would lie upon the west bank of the stream above highwater mark, and the expense of building a bridge over the river would be saved. The Greenbrier is not a sluggish stream, but it's fall is uniform, and below Marlinton would be something less than above, and the grade would therefore rise almost imperceptibly from the tracks of the Chesapeake and Ohio to the forks of the river.

The roadbed would be dug from the side of the river ridge which is neither steep nor rugged, and we have been reliably informed that a roadbed can be made from a hillside as cheaply as on level ground. It may be that the vast expense of building along the Greenbrier River between Ronceverte and the New has given a wrong impression of the character of the hills which line the stream above. The irregularities of the mountain are plainly shown by the river bed. From the headwaters of the Greenbrier River to Ronceverte the stream is smooth flowing, and rafts of lumber drawing four feet of water and forty or fifty feet wide can be run with safety. Below Ronceverte are falls and rapids which would make navigation in a canoe dangerous.

Between Marlinton and Ronceverte lies one of the richest and most populous farming sections in the State. The formation is peculiar. The limestone ceases at the west bank of the river and to the east is only a country ruined and desolate by forest fires. A road down the river would have the most important stations below Marlinton. Driscoll is on an east and west line with Marlinton, and if the road runs by Driscoll there will be no need of a station south of Driscoll. Large towns would spring up both in the Little Levels of Pocahontas and the Big Levels of Greenbrier, both of which sections would be forever the patrons of the Greenbrier Railroad. South of Driscoll there would not be a solitary inducement for men to settle. South of Marlinton lies the wealth of this region. A railroad would have at once important stations to supply the following neighborhoods.

Starting at Marlinton the county seat, four miles to Buckeye; thence five miles to a point opposite Mill Point; then three miles to a station opposite Academy, an incorporated town; six miles to Locust; five or six miles to the end of Droop; five miles to Falling Spring; six miles to a point opposite Frankford, an incorporated town now fourteen miles from the depot which would then be two and a half miles; thence to Keels out all the music a pipe organ has in it," in the elegant language of a native of Chicago. When Ellen was absent then the President could bring out all the music a gramophone has in it, and the boys might like the change. The President is welcome to ask a public in straightened circumstances. The for as many thousand dollars as he can dispose of in fitting up his hundreds of feet high and not respectable chapel, but if he wants it very badly, it will be tiresome waiting for the thousands to accumulate.

An engineer once stated in the presence of a county man that if the road should be built down the river that a county road could not be built from the table land of the Greenbrier Valley to the level of the in straightened circumstances. The for as many thousand dollars as he can dispose of in fitting up his hundreds of feet high and not respectable chapel, but if he wants it very badly, it will be tiresome waiting for the thousands to accumulate.

tance from Ronceverte to the Forks is 82 miles by the wagon road. The windings of the river may make it more, but it would not be more probably than would be needed to insure the grade.

If the Greenbrier Railroad is to be a part of a through line in time the distant travel will be from the South and West. By leaving the Chesapeake and Ohio at Greenbrier Bridge, near Ronceverte, seven or eight miles of the worst grade on the Chesapeake and Ohio would be saved.

We feel that we are arguing from the standpoint of railroad company in this article, as the town of Marlinton has more to hope for in being the depot for rich lands south of us than from being merely a station on the line, but we would invite the immediate and careful attention of the directors to the facts in this article, for we feel sure that if this company wishes to fully develop this region and cause it to respond to the outlay of building the road they will build up and down the Greenbrier River, in the same manner that other important streams of the State have become the conductors of railroads into new fields.

In his speech in the Senate last Thursday, Senator Teller referred to the fact that the campaign of 1896 was the most "vicious" in his memory, and that he remembered all the campaigns since 1844. To illustrate this he read the following report of a speech by the present Assistant Secretary of the Navy, who was rewarded for his remarks by being put in the sea department, instead of the agricultural department:

NEW YORK, Oct. 28, 1896.

A big Republican mass meeting was held down town yesterday under the auspices of a business men's Republican club. Among other speakers was Police Commissioner Roosevelt, who said: "Mr Bryan and his adherents have appealed to the basest set in the land, the farmers. If they are not so, then why do they believe that he can make \$1 out of 50 cents?" Before closing with a second appeal to his hearers for a display of patriotism on Tuesday next, the commissioner indulged in a repetition of a recent statement to the effect that the delegates to the convention which nominated Governor Altgeld were made up of murderers, burglars, horse thieves, libertines, crooks of all kinds—men who had been convicted of crimes ranging from pocket picking to arson.

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Announcement. Hillsboro Academy.

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Monday, February 14, 1898.

and continue four months.

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For sale by URIAH BIRD, Marlinton; and A. BARLOW, Huntersville.

AFTER a seven-day fight the Maryland legislature elected Judge Louis E. McComas senator to succeed Senator Gorman.

This is the "Yale problem" published recently in the New York Sun: "What will ten yards of silk come to at \$1 1-1001 per yard?" Dozens of answers were received, but only one correct one. The proper answer is \$10,010 by arithmetic, and \$10,000 by the algebraic solution.

THE Alderson Man is the only editor in the State who still understands the financial questions of the day, and week by week he is confusing the public with heavy doses of his theories. The role adopted by the rest of us in regard to money is:

That those may get who have the power,
And those may keep who can.

In a letter to the Greenbrier Independent Dr Gates, of Ronceverte, calls attention to the fact that those persons who wanted to buy intoxicants of druggists did not hesitate to sign a physician's name to the prescription, and the druggist honored it without scrutinizing it as a cashier would a check. We think both Lewisburg and Ronceverte would be better with open saloons and that the cause of temperance would actually be advanced thereby. A well conducted barroom is preferable to a lot of unscrupulous doctors and forgers who enable the consumer to buy only in bulk.

A Big Thing on Ice.

There was excitement in the crowd when pa put on his skates. Folks hardly dared to speak aloud. He looked so haughty and so proud. But all much interest avowed when pa put on his skates.

A hush fell on the mighty throng when pa stood on his skates. He was so cool, so nonchalant. No one could fear a contretemps. To see his graceful abandon when pa put on his skates.

But ah, me! what a fall was there, when pa first tried to skate! With one wild whoop of fierce despair he sat down where there was no chair. And both his legs waved in the air, when pa first tried to skate!

Then every body looked away. He bit pa took off his skates. The sun stopped shining for that day. The sky grew overcast and gray. For pa said things unfit to say when he took off his skates.
—Somerville Journal.

Please Notice!

I am still here, and new goods coming in every week and go out at the same rate. Come when you will I have something new and good bargains for cash customers.

If you have but little to buy with it will pay you to investigate my goods and prices.

I am still buying Grain of all kinds, Turkeys, Chickens, Eggs, Butter, &c.

Some Prices—

Green Coffee, 12 to 15c
Arbuckle Coffee, 9 for \$1.00
Calicoes, 44 to 7c
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Outings, 7 to 12c
Shoes, 1.00 to \$2.75
Yarn, 70 to 80c
Suit Clothes, \$8.00 to \$20.00

If you want your picture enlarged at half price, I will have it done.

Your for business,
S. J. BOGGS,
HUNTERSVILLE, W. VA.

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Of Goods and Chattels at

Green Bank, W. Va.,

—ON—

Saturday, February 5, 1898.

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Our stock is worth IN ESTIGATION and all are invited to call and be convinced that as to Quality of Stock and Lowness of Prices, we are surpassed by none. We want your trade and friendship.

We will take Beeswax and Fur. Our nine-years' experience as buyer and shipper enables us to pay highest prices. For quality of stock, lowness of price, and prompt business, we are respectfully yours,

L. D. Sharp.

List of Real Estate

Sold in the County of Pocahontas, in the month of January, 1898, for the non-payment of the taxes charged thereon for the years 1895 and 1896, and purchased by individuals:

Name of person charged with taxes	Local Description.	Quantity of Land Sold.	Quantity of Land Purchased, Acres	Name of Purchaser.	Whole Amount Paid by Purchaser.
GREEN BANK DISTRICT					
Arbogast, Adam's est	adjoining B M Yeager	58	120 58 120	Mrs Hulda Yeager	\$12 85
Arbogast, Adam's est	" "	50	50	Mrs Hulda Yeager	2 74
Camphell, J. B's heirs	waters Greenbrier river	60	60	L M McClintic	4 12
Collins, W H	" "	100	100	E M Arbogast	2 32
Davis, John W's estate	Buffalo mountain	15	15	H S Bucker	1 35
Bradshaw, J B	C ooper's B rn	1	1	L M McClintic	2 33
Galford, Thomas' heirs	Boreman's Run	138	138	E M Arbogast	12 62
Grogg, John W	Buffalo Run	100	100	L M McClintic	6 91
Same	" "	9	9	Same	1 62
Same	Buffalo mt	245	245	Same	5 19
Same	J H A Land	120	120	Same	3 12
Gilmer, Alex	Allegany mt	120	120	E M Arbogast	2 58
Hamilton, W m's heirs	near Forks Greenbrier R	132	132	L M McClintic, W A Bratton, B M Yeager	4 18
same	Back Allegany	30	30	same same	1 51
Houchin, Ellis	wts Greenbrier River	100	100	C P Kerr	7 76
same	adjoining Arbogast	130	130	J W Yeager	8 71
McCutcheon, John B	Thomas creek	2800	2800	H A Yeager	47 92
same	waters Greenbrier river	77	77	Izzie E Dilley	2 12
same	Elk Lick run	80	80	Same	11 95
same	waters Greenbrier river	125	125	B M Yeager	5 34
Rhettstrom, Alf	Back Allegany	135	135	L M McClintic	10 06
Sheets, Jacob's estate	Buffalo mt	107	107	T S McNeel	4 67
Shaton, Robert G	Buffalo mt	81	81	J F Rider	11 85
Sutton, Wilson B	adj A Nottingham	18	18	Same	2 02
same	" "	100	100	W A Bratton and L M McClintic	3 50
Scott, F B	head wts Greenbrier	1600	1600	B M Yeager	28 38
Tark, P S, & J L Arbogast	waters Greenbrier				
EDRAY DISTRICT.					
Barnes, M L	R L Run	30	30	George P Moore	1 79
Hogsett, Sam's estate	Old Field Fork Elk	883	883	M Buckman	29 06
Hogsett, Sam's estate	same	138	138	Same	14 24
Hogsett, J T	same	59	59	Same	5 73
Johnson, J E	wts Gr R	100	100	George P Moore	5 83
same	same	300	300	Same	4 58
Lyle, S W	wts Elk river	750	750	J R Poage	18 65
Simmons, J W N R & W	Leather creek	61	61	H S Bucker	4 61
Thomson, Joseph L	Big Spring	1 32 P	1 32 P	W A Bratton and L M McClintic	7 12
HUNTERSVILLE DIST.					
Bradshaw, W m's heirs	Marlin's Mt	1 0 40	100 40	L M McClintic	2 36
Beard, M W	Beaver creek	50	50	N C McNeil	2 81
Bird, George H	Allegany mt	120	120	B M Yeager	2 63
Gannon, James' estate	Ball Alley Lot			Fred Beard	1 52
Hogsett, J T	Knapps creek	256 90	256 90	M Buckman	18 89
same	Punkin Hill	4 80 P	4 80 P	Same	3 90
same	Punkin Hill	29	29	Same	2 37
same	Kot 25 Huntersville			Same	2 11
same	Lot 24 Huntersville			Same	1 97
Houdyshell, Susan	near Frost	1	1	C Kelley	1 94
Larty, S, & Binghamard	Marlin's mt	767	767	B M Yeager	14 24
Skeen, William	adj Charles Gum	44	44	J W Grimes	2 24
Simms, B W	Piles mt	160	160	Uriah Bird	3 84
Webb, Amanda	Buckley mt	133	130	L M McClintic	4 44
LEVELS DISTRICT.					
Hogsett, M J	near Mill Point	50	50	M Buckman	18 13
Hogsett, J T	same	107	107	Same	51 93
same	same	75 16	75-160	Same	1 31
Smith, Erle E	Poplar Flats	138	138	W A Bratton and L M McClintic	3 68

The owner of any real estate above described and sold, his heirs, or assigns, or any person having a right to charge such real estate for a debt, may redeem the same by paying to the purchaser, his heirs or assigns, within one year from the sale thereof, the amount specified in the last column of the above table, and such additional taxes as may have been paid by the purchaser, his heirs or assigns, with interest on said purchase money and taxes at the rate of twelve per centum per annum from the time the same may have been so paid.

Given under my hand this 19 day of January, 1898,

R. W. HILL, Sheriff.